



Our Lady of Good Counsel
Catholic Primary School

A place of rich history, vibrant growth, and promising futures!

Educational Philosophy

School Curriculum

Our school values every child as a learner. Learners learn in different ways, in different environments and at different rates. Learning is most effective when it involves positive partnerships with parents and carers, peers, teachers, school and community members. For each child to reach their full potential, classrooms are organised to include individual, small group and whole class teaching and learning. At Our Lady of Good Counsel School, we provide an innovative, high quality and progressive curriculum. We use all subject areas of the Australian Curriculum. The Australian Curriculum sets out the core knowledge, understanding, skills and general capabilities important for all Australian students. The Australian Curriculum describes the learning entitlement of students as a foundation for their future learning, growth and active participation in the Australian community. It makes clear what all young Australians should learn as they progress through schooling. It is the foundation for high quality teaching to meet the needs of all Australian students.

The overall aim of the curriculum is designed to enable our children to become lifelong learners. Learning is a lifelong process. A lifelong learner is a knowledgeable person who is developing the skills to become a Reflective, Self-Directed Learner, Community Contributor, Leader & Collaborator, Effective Communicator, Quality Producer, Designer & Creator and Active Investigator.

The core business of our learning communities is focused on learning. It is our belief that every person can achieve success in learning. For this to happen we have adopted a student-centred approach to learning. This approach provides opportunities for students to practise critical and creative thinking, problem solving and decision making. These involve the use of skills and processes such as recall, application, analysis, synthesis, prediction and evaluation, all of which contribute to the development and enhancement of conceptual understandings.

As a Brisbane Catholic Education School, Religious Education is core subject taught from Prep to Year 6.

The Curriculum Areas of the Australian Curriculum are:

- English
- Mathematics
- Humanities (including History, Geography, Civics and Economics)
- Science
- The Arts
- Technology
- Health & PE
- Cultural Literacy – Language Other Than English